



PATENT: **Mail Stop AF**
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09877.0189

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:)
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Giacomo Stefano Roba *et al.*) Group Art Unit: 1731
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Application No.: 09/986,622) Examiner: John M. Hoffman
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Filed: November 9, 2001)
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For: METHOD AND INDUCTION) Confirmation No.: 5933
) FURNACE FOR DRAWING)
) LARGE DIAMETER PREFORMS)
) TO OPTICAL FIBRES)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the
Examiner mailed July 7, 2005.

The items checked below are appropriate:

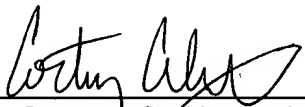
1. ☐ A Petition for extension of time to respond to the final rejection was filed on [Date] extending the period for response to [Date].
2. ☒ A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to December 7, 2005 is enclosed together with a fee of \$450.00.
3. ☒ The Appeal Fee of \$500.00 (or \$250.00 if by small entity)
☒ is enclosed or ☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0916
4. ☒ A check for **\$950.00** to cover the above fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: December 7, 2005

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